**Assignment #4- Text Set**

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Topic: Tornados

Grade level: 1st Grade

Objectives: To provide students with a plethora of tornado text that will appeal to them and engage their reading interest

* learn about how tornadoes are formed;
* look at photographs and/or video clips of real tornadoes;
* learn basic safety tips about tornadoes;
* create a simulated tornado in a bottle; and
* draw pictures of and write sentences about tornadoes in a cartoon format

**Texts**

**Wall map of the world or North America**

This is a class room supply, which I will us to provide a visual of tornado alley as I describe were tornados likely occur and how that relates to us.

**T**[**ornado in a bottle**](http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/wwatch/tornado/about/create.htm) **activity online video –**used for instruction<http://www.teachertube.com/viewVideo.php?video_id=44022&title=Tornado>

**Short Clip:** for an audio video excitement

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/eye/tornadoes/tornintro.html>

**Photos:** to add variety of texts

<http://www.fema.gov/kids/p_tor.htm>

**Things to Know:** bullet points for shared reading

<http://www.fema.gov/kids/knw_tor.htm>

**Make Tornado Safety Card:**

* If you are at home, stay (or go) inside. Go down to the basement or to a room with no windows on the lowest floor of the house.
* If you are outside and can't get indoors, lie down (in a ditch, if possible).
* If you are in school, follow your teacher's directions about where to go and what to do.

**About Natures Most Violent Storms-** to provide a variety of visual texts

<http://www.nssl.noaa.gov/edu/safety/tornadoguide.html>

**The Forces of Nature**- for further exploration

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/forcesofnature/interactive/index.html?section=t>

**Movie:** The Wizard of Oz

The Telling of a Tornado Story with text to follow along: <http://www.tellitagan.com/fntrn.html>

**Dancing** Like a Tornado Free Style (outside) by yourself or with a partner

**Cartoon:** Ashort cartoonstory that can be read online for a sample of what they can do.<http://www.fema.gov/kids/twins/tornado/tornado1.htm>

**Tornado writing and drawing/painting materials** – Free style Art and cartoon writing